

Contact:

Email: PIO@sanbruno.ca.gov

Phone: (650) 616-8305

March 13, 2020 For Immediate Release:

<u> UPDATE – Modified Schedule for City Activities</u>

San Bruno Officials Take Additional Precautions for Coronavirus (COVID-19)

The City of San Bruno continues to closely monitor and respond to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak, which was recently designated at a global pandemic by the World Health Organization. Due to the heightened need to limit person-to-person contact, the City of San Bruno has further scaled back City programs and meetings for a two-week period, through March 27, 2020. These protective measures are taken in an abundance of caution largely based on recommendations from the San Mateo County Health Officer and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to help limit community transmission of COVID-19.

The service reductions will remain in effect through March 27, 2020, unless otherwise stated below, at which time City Officials will assess the safety of resuming full City operations. Changes include partial closure of public counters and vary from service to service. Information and updates are posted to the City website dedicated to City related updates on COVID-19, www.sanbruno.ca.gov/Coronavirus.

Below is a summary of the reduction of City programs and meetings, effective immediately.

Public Meetings

All public meetings are cancelled or postponed, with the exception of City Council meetings. Public meetings include all Boards, Commissions and Committees meetings.

Regular City Council meetings will continue to be held at the San Bruno Senior Center and will be set up to allow for social distancing. These meetings are aired live on Channel 1 and will be posted to the City website two days following the meeting.

San Bruno Library

The San Bruno Library will be closed, beginning Monday, March 16, 2020. All special events during this time are cancelled, including the Homework Center. While the Library is closed, San Bruno Library card holders have *free* access to online eResources, including <u>streaming videos</u>, <u>eBooks/eAudiobooks</u>, <u>eMagazines</u> and <u>online tutoring</u>.

The Homework Center will remain closed through April 3, 2020 in accordance with the San Mateo County Health Officer's order to require all schools to dismiss students from school.

San Bruno Recreation

All after-school programming, including After School Adventures (ASA) and Afterschool Education and Safety (ASES) are cancelled through April 3, 2020, in accordance with the San Mateo County Health Officer's order to require all schools to dismiss students from school.

Previously cancelled San Bruno Recreation Department sporting events and other special events remain cancelled and future events will be assessed on a weekly basis.

San Bruno Senior Center

Tax preparation appointments and all other Senior Center activities, with the exception of lunch service, remain cancelled through March 27, 2020, when we will reassess the safety of resuming full operations.

Lunch service at the Senior Center will continue to be available to senior citizens in need, from 11:00 a.m. through 1:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Lunches will be provided in takeout containers to be taken home rather than eaten on site. The dining room will not be open during lunch hours.

A dedicated phone line is available to easily get the latest information regarding programs, activities and services at the San Bruno Senior Center during this virus outbreak. That number is (650) 616-3109. Please continue to use this number rather than phoning City departments as it is the best source for the most current information specific to the Senior Center.

As we all know, developments related to COVID-19 are constantly changing and residents continue to be advised to rely on official resources for the most current and accurate COVID-19 information:

- San Mateo County: https://cmo.smcgov.org/eoc
- San Mateo County Health Department: https://www.smchealth.org/coronavirus
- Residents with non-medical, non-emergency questions about the coronavirus can call 2-1-1 or text "coronavirus" to 211211 at any time.
- Centers for Disease Control (CDC): https://www.cdc.gov
- San Mateo Office of Education: https://www.smcoe.org

Several precautions are being taken at City facilities that remain open during this time. There are several hand sanitizing stations located throughout the facilities and increased spacing to encourage and remind residents to observe social distancing and separation of 6 feet. The City's efforts are being made to enhance precautions of limiting community spread of COVID-19. We appreciate your cooperation during this time, and encourage you to practice healthy habits in your personal environment to keep you and your families healthy!

###